



Corvair Chatter

Quick Facts

NEXT MEETING: January 16, 2021. 10:00 a.m.

Leo Scopesi's Place: 2980 Allan Ave. West Sacramento, CA. Club providing Coffee and Donuts!

Membership Dues: Please pay your membership dues! \$20.00 for the year.

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Firing Order

President	John Heiser
Vice President	Carl Funk
Activities	Position Open
Secretary	Position Open
Membership	Joseph Howard
Treasurer	Wes Nicholas
Editor	Position Open
Historian	Christy Barden

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Website;

www.northern-california-corvairs.com

Facebook; [Classic Corvairs of River City](#)

Message From the President:

HAPPY NEW YEAR! Hoping for a nice change of pace with the Autorama 2021 event right around the corner, so, if you plan on entering, please let me know as soon as possible! The CORSA Convention in San Diego is still being planned, but Covid-19 protocols may change the scheduled dates. So, will see what happens in a few months. On other news, we have added a few new members in the past several months and would like to say Welcome! Thank you all for your continued help, volunteering and assistance! Recent events, Air Cooled Java Cruisers Polar Bear Cruise to Auburn, Georgetown back to Folsom. Found out that about 130 vehicles showed up for the Cruise! This cruise got me thinking about scheduling tours and events this year like a cruise up to South Lake Tahoe State Line to check out one of the Casino brunch/lunch buffets and take in the sites... If any interest, will discuss at the January 16th club meeting.

Just a reminder, letting the Club know that the 2024 CORSA National Convention will be assigned to the West Coast. California CORSA Board Members will be getting the word out soon. A few statistics from CCRC's 1999 Tahoe CORSA Convention: 508 registrations, 1,055 badges issued, 31 new CORSA memberships, 85 swap meet spaces, 133 vendor tables, 600 attended the awards dinner banquet and 164 Corvairs registered. Participants in the following events: Autocross 68; Rally 75; Cole Competitors 18; Concours 49. So, lets start planning for the upcoming 2024 National Convention!

Updated news on the Clubs acquisition of Rich Eastburn's 1963 Corvair Spyder Convertible is located in the minutes as well as the purchase of the club's 140 hp engine.

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Latest CCRC News

Ongoing Events:

Bel Air Second Saturday Cars and Coffee. 4320 Arden Way near the corner of Eastern. Time: 8 a.m. to 11 a.m. On hold until further notice.

Carmichael Bel Air Sunday Cars and Coffee. 4005 Manzanita Avenue at the intersection of Fair Oaks Blvd and Manzanita Avenue near the corner of Cypress. Time: 7:30 a.m. to 10:00 a.m.

Folsom Cars and Coffee: Town Center, El Dorado Hills, every Saturday morning 7 to 9:30.

Car Shows:

Sacramento Autorama 2021: General Show Information Friday, April 9 - Sunday, April 11, 2021. Held at: Cal Expo Fairgrounds – Sacramento. Friday April 9, 2021 12:00 pm until 8:00 pm Saturday April 10, 2021 10:00 am until 8:00 pm Sunday April 11, 2021 10:00 am until 6:00 pm. The Clubhouse will be in the Pavilion and host 25 clubs.

The San Francisco Club would like to host a joint Corvair Show with CCRC. So, lets start planning on a joint show.

River City Brewing Company: Corvair Club showing in Carmichael – Milagro Center, Corner of Marconi and Fair Oaks Blvd. Date: Time:

Meeting Minutes

By John Heiser

December 16, 2020 – ZOOM Meeting Minutes:

John opened up the meeting at 7:05 p.m. and inquired on how every one is doing these days. I then went through the agenda, discussed upcoming events.

Wes provided an update on the treasury report, efforts in Corvair part acquisition and the club obtaining Rich Eastburn's 1963 Corvair Spyder Convertible. Other updates included the club passed on the Corvairs and Corvair part acquisition up in Yankee Jim, CA.

The Club's 140 hp engine was sold for \$2,250.00 to Mr. Stone who will be using it for getting his 1963 Corvair back on the road.

Recap on the 1963 Corvair Spyder: Leo loaned CCRC his car trailer. THANK YOU LEO! Leo and his son Tony helped load the car, Denis, Wes, Rich, Linda, Curt also helped load the car. THANK YOU ALL for your support and assistance!

The engine will need to be worked on as well as the brakes, fuel tank, interior and exterior. Currently its under assessment and inspection.

WR = Willow Run Michigan Plant. 36,377 Monza Convertible built.

Trim 1-732 1=White top 732= metallic blue imitation leather interior

Paint 912-2 Silver Blue exterior Blue interior

ACC F2C3C F= Tinted Windshield 2C Padded dash 3C Spyder Turbo

VIN 30967W282769 3= 1963 0967= Monza Convertible

W = Willow Run assembly plant 282769 = 182769 car built

Engine T1209RL 65-66 180 hp. 164 cu.in. manual Corsa only

Lets get those Corvairs back on the road for another cruise!

Corvair Resources (Online)

Q&A - www.corvaircenter.com

www.corvairforum.com

Parts - www.corvair.com (Clark's)

www.californiacorvairparts.com

www.mikescorvairparts.com

www.rockauto.com

Sale - www.jaxed.com

www.corvairtrader.com (Parts & Sales)

Resources –

<https://www.corvair.org/chapters/corvanatics>

Car Building – <http://autoexer.skiblack.com>

Fun - www.youtube.com/user/davemotohead1

www.deansgarage.com



Birthdays

January 2: Ken Edwards

January 8: Liz Cockrell

January 22: Lisa Davis-Edwards

January 22: Bill Moyer

January 25: Daniel Fierro

January 31: Trish McDonald



CCRC Club Member Assistance:

CLASSIC CORVAIRS of RIVER CITY CLUB MEMBERS

In the last year, our club has lost at least six members with cars that participated in club outings. It is getting more difficult to get a respectable number of cars at club-sanctioned events. Car shows, concours, the Autorama and State Fair participation require strong showings. We may not be invited back to the State Fair this year due to our poor showing last year.

In order to get more cars on the road, the club leadership is offering assistance to members that have Corvairs that need help to get them running. This help will be in the form of technical expertise, mechanic labor and financial assistance.

If you have a Corvair that is in need of work, contact John Heiser and give him the details on what you require in the way of help. A committee will review the requests and select those we think are the best candidates. Remember the goal is to get more Corvairs at our club events. Those chosen will be expected to participate and help the club increase the number of cars that we put on display.

Your Comments

CORVAIR CHATTER Newsletter - Let us know if there is something that you'd like to see in our monthly newsletter. Email your thoughts to John, Johnh1@thegrid.net

Club Activities - You may have some great ideas for club activities. We want to hear them! Better yet, we'd like you to participate in the planning of your activity idea. Email your ideas to Carl Funk at; edieboopboop@yahoo.com

Classified Section



Clark's Corvair Parts®

Our catalog lists over 15,000 parts for your Corvair. We carry engine parts, body panels, upholstery and much more! There are 1,000's of reproduced items available, pages of technical information and lots of other helpful hints.



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(413)625-9776 www.corvair.com email: clarks@corvair.com

Bob Hooker would like to trade his '64 daily-driver Spyder for a Greenbrier. Please contact Bob for details at roberth89@surewest.net, 916-772-6097.

Jim Messick in Stockton has a '64 Spyder convertible for sale. May need engine parts, has a ding near left tail light, and upholstery needs replacement. Asking \$1500. Contact Jim at 209-969-2069.

For Sale: 1961 8 door Greenbrier: Contact: Mandie (916) 456-9607. Leave message on answering machine that you are interested in the Corvair Greenbrier. Late Model 95 hp engine, Powerglide. Has cruise control. Been garaged. \$3,900.00. CORSA Club members from Sacramento, CA.



For Sale, Rampside, Greenbrier, corvair engines, transaxles, parts etc. Contact Larry Forman at (916) 216-9801

For Sale: 1964 Corvair Convertible located in Elk Grove. Contact. James Koch: edselhusband@aol.com

Free: 2 front seat frames for a 1964 Corvair Convertible. Contact. Ken Basile in Penn Valley. (530) 432-9590

Automotive History: How The 1960 Corvair Started A Global Design Revolution - Part 6.

By: [Paul Niedermeyer](#)
– January 23, 2019



The Corvair's distinctive front has been adapted for a conventional front engine car, but the eyebrows dropping slightly to the flat hood is almost perfectly preserved. Was Pininfarina shocked? Undoubtedly. The Corvair was the first car to upset his apple cart and near hegemony on European design.

Next up: the Simca 1000 of 1962. A brand-new rear engine small car to compete with the similar Renaults, the Simca has a very nice Corvair face facsimile, but doesn't carry the horizontal line back from there. Still, the overall influence is unmistakable.



The VW Karman-Ghia 1600L of 1962 was quickly dubbed the VW Monza, for very obvious reasons. It's one of the fewer Corvair clones that played off the Monza coupe's very long rear deck.



The most beautiful and faithful homage to the Corvair—thanks to their proportions and low height—was Panhard's 24 1963 coupes, both in the longer 24 C seen here,



and the 2+2 Model 24 TC. Now that was an exquisite application of creativity to the basic Corvair theme.

On the other side of the globe, Mazda's 1963 Familia 800 appeared sporting that distinctive Corvair waist-line bulge and band. And who designed it? None other than a young Giorgetto Giugiaro, working for Bertone at the time. Everyone is getting into the act.



The Familia family also included a handsome little coupe.

Well, it wasn't only Bertone that got Corvair fever. Already in 1961, Pininfarina's lovely "Jacqueline" Cadillac Coupe showed perhaps the first departure from his previously ubiquitous high and stand-alone headlights.





One year later, the Pininfarina 1962 Alfa Romeo 2600 Coupe concept shows the unmistakable influence of the Corvair's dominant horizontal break line and low headlights. Hardly cribbing in the usual sense, but the change from Pininfarina cars just a year or two earlier is obvious. It should be noted that by this time the firm employed a number of designers, including the American Tom Tjaarda.

And Pininfarina's work on mainstream cars also reflected their adoption of Corvair principles, as in their design for the Datsun Bluebird/410 of 1964.



And back in Japan, Hino's new 1963 Contessa coupe also pays its respects.



The all-new rear-engined Hillman/Sunbeam Imp also debuted in 1963, with a face that Ned Nickles would recognize anywhere.



Now we come to perhaps one of the most lasting and broadly dispersed influence of the Corvair. BMW's *Neue Klasse* of 1964, which started with this 1500 sedan, carries the Corvair's front end and belt line quite proudly, if somewhat disguised.

The BMW 2000 Coupe is a bit more unabashed in flaunting its Corvair roots.



The 1602/2002 popularized BMW's Corvair themes,



especially from the rear.

Stay Tuned for Part VII.